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REMARKS

With this amendment, Claims 12, 14-16, and 18 are pending in the present application. Claims 11, 13, and 17 have been canceled. In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-referenced application.

Claims 11, 13, and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,358,756 to Sandhu et al. However, the Examiner indicated that Claims 12 and 14-16 are allowed. The Examiner also objected to Claim 18 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that it would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

By this paper, the Applicant has canceled Claims 11, 13 and 17 and amended Claim 18 so that it is now in independent form incorporating all of the limitations of the base claim. In view of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims of the present application are in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited. Should there be any impediment to the prompt allowance of this application that could be resolved through a telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at the number shown below.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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